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Art Unit 1765					
Applicant(s): Shane J. Trapp					
Invention: METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR PLASMA ETCHING OF A SELF-ALIGNED CONTACT OPENING					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</b>					
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
MS: Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2004. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.